

# THE DE LAND NEWS.

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## CITY COUNCILMEN KEEPING LATE HOURS

City Council met in regular session Monday night, with all members present, viz: President Davis, presiding, Councilmen Bishop, Fountain, Hon, Dreka and Woodall.

### Want Road Opened.

A petition was read from Jacob Thompson and others asking for the clearing and grading of Winnemissett avenue, south of town, running from Yemassee east toward Winnemissett; referred to Street Committee for investigation and report.

### Water to Outlying Property.

Petition was read from V. W. Gould requesting the privilege of laying water mains north from New York avenue, along the Merryman property, and take pay for same in city water. Referred to Fire and Water Committee, with power to act.

Petition was read from L. D. Hord requesting that the city furnish water at the Fudger place, northeast of town, the petitioner to pay all expenses and to be reimbursed for same in water rent. Referred to Fire and Water Committee, with power to act.

14; taps closed, 8; new taps, 10; coal on hand, 33 tons; wood on hand, 35 cords; wood hauled by T. L. Dean, 17 cords; received one car of coal, 33 tons, and a report of other work done.

Treasurer reported: Warrants paid—general revenue fund, \$413.96; fire and water fund, \$365.88; sanitary fund, \$80.64; water works fund, \$364.50; street fund, \$187.92—total amount paid out, \$1612.00; bond coupons paid, \$30; rebate checks, \$7.40; grand total paid out, \$1649.40.

Balance on hand October 31: General revenue fund, \$ 655.53 Bond interest fund, 4345.90 Water works fund, 1784.08 Street fund, 231.85

Total cash on hand, \$7017.46

Cash in savings bank, \$5401.55; on deposit open account, \$683.65; on hand, \$41.33. October receipts—General revenue, \$61.55; sanitary, \$36.60; bond interest, \$86.23; water works, \$1232.40; streets, \$252.25.

The Finance Committee was empowered to transfer \$1500 from the bond

Boon Fanning, 10.00  
DeLand Telephone Co., 1.50  
Bond Lumber Co., 3.97

### Levy of Taxes.

Ordinances were passed levying taxes as follows: General tax, 10 mills; bond interest, 5 mills; water works and fire protection, 5 mills, making a total of 20 mills—the usual levy. Also an ordinance providing for sanitary assessments.

An ordinance was passed naming the alley in the rear of Fisher's drug store as Fisher's alley. Short street was also legally named.

### New Sidewalks Ordered.

Ordinances were passed providing for the construction of cement sidewalks on Howry avenue, both sides, from Clara to Florida avenues; also on Michigan avenue from Boulevard to Adelle, both sides; also on Indiana avenue, from Florida to the College Arms, both sides. All walks are to be five feet wide, of cement or hexagon blocks.

It was after 11 o'clock before all business was attended to and council adjourned. Few people who do not attend these meetings have any idea of the time, hard work and thought given to the city by the patriotic men who serve on the council without pay.

### EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION NEWS

#### Funds Being Raised and Effective Preparations Made for the Big Convention.

As noted elsewhere in this issue, the DeLand city fathers, at their meeting on Monday evening, voted an appropriation of \$300.00 toward the expenses the local committee will have to incur in thoroughly advertising the approaching meeting of the Florida State Educational Association, which everybody in DeLand hopes and believes will eclipse in point of attendance and interest any previous meeting of its kind ever held in the State.

The Volusia County Board of Public Instruction also made an appropriation of \$100.00 for the same purpose.

A meeting of the executive committee was held last Friday evening in the office of Judge J. L. McCrory at the call of Prof. T. D. Culp, chairman. This meeting was well attended and the discussions were actively participated in by a number of prominent citizens who are deeply interested in this move to entertain the big convention in royal fashion and to maintain the high reputation DeLand has for years enjoyed as a convention city.

It is announced that a splendid Loan Art Exhibit has been secured by the committee on entertainment, President Lincoln Hulley, chairman. This will be placed in the new Carnegie Library building and it will include more than six hundred reproductions of the world's famous pictures of the great masters of Italy and elsewhere. Miss Whitfield of the Art Department at the University, and Prof. Suhrie of the Normal Department, are making earnest efforts to secure other extensive loan exhibits of pottery and textiles.

A representative of Bowman Brothers, decorators, of Louisville, Ky., was in the city this week to canvass with individual members of the executive committee the matter of general decorations. This firm is now in charge of the decorations for the Jacksonville carnival. They have tons of bunting and flags and are prepared to decorate the city in the most beautiful manner. Their representative left a bid with the chairman of the executive committee and in discussing the matter with members of the committee, he made some very valuable suggestions.

The committee on Publicity and correspondence—Director Suhrie, chairman—will hold a meeting in the office of Judge J. L. McCrory at the court house on Friday afternoon, at 3:30. It is hoped that this meeting will be well attended. The chairman has a number of matters to discuss with the committee as to the most effective means by which the meeting may be advertised at the least possible expense and he has been for weeks studying plans. His committee will carry forward the work in a business like manner with a view to

## JUDGE JONES' COURT NOW IN SESSION

Circuit Court convened on Tuesday, Judge Minor S. Jones presiding, with State's Attorney John C. Jones, Clerk S. D. Jordan and Sheriff E. L. Smith in attendance.

### Grand Jury.

The grand jury for the term was empaneled, consisting of the following named gentlemen: J. H. Rowe, W. Scammell, J. W. Hunter, T. J. Newman, G. W. Tedder, H. F. Lungren, C. W. C. McKenzie, L. J. Wells, Jr., H. H. Marsh, W. A. Ball, H. J. Bird, L. E. Bostrom, Albert Turner, W. C. Watts, D. B. Fanning, R. C. Buchnell, W. D. Haynes and Geo. E. Berry. Mr. Bushnell was elected foreman.

### Petit Jury.

Following is the petit jury: W. H. Eick, John Messing, Fred Carnell, C. A. Berry, Riley Guess, J. E. Field, Fred Kingston, H. C. Haven, R. L. Papy. Many of the cases titles of which were given in THE NEWS of October 29 were continued for the term.

### Hamilton vs. Singletary.

Martha H. Hamilton and husband vs. D. W. Singletary; tried Wednesday morning and a verdict of \$500 and costs awarded plaintiffs.

### Henry Merritt Habeas Corpus.

While Judge Jones was in DeLand, Stewart & Bly sued out a writ of habeas corpus for Henry Merritt, at present confined in the Volusia county jail awaiting trial by the Criminal Court. Judge Jones, as did Judge McCrory when a similar case was brought before him several weeks ago, held that the court had no right to go into the merits of the evidence against the prisoner pending the trial of the case by a court, and the case was dismissed.

### Made An American Citizen.

S. N. Misch appeared before the Circuit Court on Tuesday, renounced his allegiance to the Sultan of Turkey and was duly made an American citizen. He was thoroughly examined by Judge Jones, who enquired into his affiliation with secret societies, his reasons for coming to America, how he came here, and many other matters

that would not appear readily to the average citizen, but may be still important to America if a great many immigrants come here. There has been considerable question as to the legal right of a citizen of Turkey to become a naturalized citizen; but the courts are now holding that they have such legal right. Most of them make good citizens. They are generally law-abiding, frugal, and hardworking.

### Pleads Guilty to Murder.

Charles Warren, the Daytona negro who so brutally shot a negro woman, killing her at the first shot and then firing several more shots into her insensate form, yesterday plead guilty, and will receive a life sentence.

### Two True Bills.

The grand jury completed its work yesterday and was discharged. The grand jury found "no true bill" against Fred Lane on the charge of rape, but returned a true bill charging him with intent to commit rape.

A true bill was found against H. A. Frazier for rape.

The grand jury made an investigation of the county officers, dug up the usual number of bouquets and tossed them around to the various officials. As there is nothing sensational in the presentment, we will not publish it until the next issue.

### Telegraph Company Gets a Verdict.

In the case of Walter B. Burgess and A. C. Haynes vs. the Western Union Telegraph Company, the court instructed the jury to bring in a verdict for the defendant, which was done.

### Haigh vs. Jester.

In the case of Sidney Haigh vs. T. E. Jester, the jury brought in a verdict in favor of plaintiff for \$308.50.

### Case Dismissed.

Mr. R. D. McDonald on Wednesday filed with the clerk of the Circuit Court a dismissal of the suit brought several years ago against Chris. O. Codrington, J. E. Bigelow, J. F. Aldis, W. H. Stewart, A. H. Ryland et al. The dismissal was filed voluntarily on the part of Mr. McDonald.

### THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Woman's Club was held on Tuesday, November 9, in the club room.

A very interesting program was given by the Science and Art Department after the usual half hour of business.

The last half hour of the afternoon was the social hour, and was greatly enjoyed by all.

The meeting was largely attended by the club members and visitors.

### Resolutions.

WHEREAS, our friend, Mrs. Jessie Ruff, has passed on into the higher life, be it

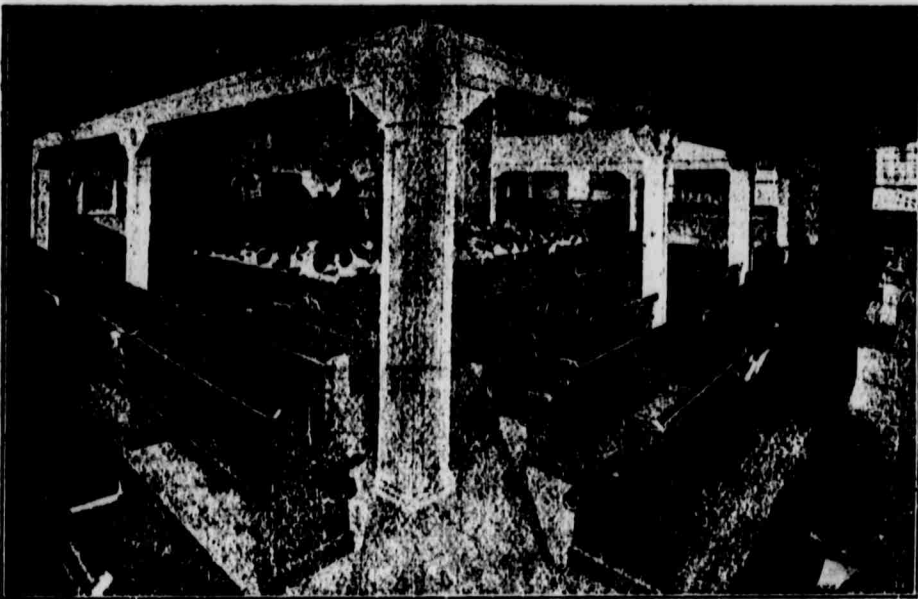
Resolved, That we who knew her here record our appreciation of her character and our deep regret that the earth ties have been so soon broken. We mourn her loss; but we feel that we are better for having known her, for her life was one of goodness and benevolence and such as to enable her to meet her Maker in peace. Be it resolved, further, that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the club, and that they be sent, with our sincere sympathy, to the husband and immediate relatives of our lamented friend.

The Woman's Club of DeLand, Nov. 11, 1909.

GRACE S. LOVE,  
MARGARET W. LANDIS,  
JENNIE C. CANNONS.

The Inland Waterways Convention will be held in Jacksonville beginning on Monday, November 15. Senator Duncan U. Fletcher and ex-Governor N. B. Broward are very prominent factors in the work of this convention.

St. Petersburg's council has granted a franchise for a gas company.



THE AUDITORIUM OF JOHN B. STETSON UNIVERSITY

In which the general session of the Florida State Educational Association will be held December 28-31. The Kindergarten section will convene in the Kindergarten room, DeLand Normal Hall. The Primary section will meet in the Y. M. C. A. hall in the Carnegie Library building. The High school will meet in the DeLand High School auditorium. The general reception tendered by the citizens of DeLand, will be given in the spacious parlors of Chaudoin Hall.

### To Improve Ohio Avenue.

Petition was read from J. W. Perkins, W. A. Allen and others requesting the city to compel the A. C. Line to remove the sidetrack from Ohio avenue, east of the Boulevard, and also to remove old cross ties and other accumulations of trash at present lying near the track. The property holders there wish to improve their property, and desire the track removed in order to benefit their property. The Street Committee was instructed to notify the superintendent of the A. C. Line to make the changes requested by the citizens.

### State Teachers Association.

Mr. Cary D. Landis appeared before council and requested that an appropriation of \$300 be made toward defraying the expenses incident to the holding of the State Teachers Association. W. A. Allen, J. W. Perkins and others all made arguments in favor of the appropriation. The appropriation was made.

### Couldn't Help the Band.

Mr. R. C. Bushnell appeared before the council and asked a donation to help uniform the band. He requested the amount of \$50, stating that about \$250 had already been raised for the purpose. The matter was discussed at length, but the members felt as if it would be unwise to make further donations at this time and no action was taken.

### Reports of Officers.

Marshal reported the collection of \$43.90 in October, from fines and impounding fees.

Engineer reported as follows: Water pumped, 3,714,234 gals.; daily average, 119,814 gals.; coal consumed, 14 tons; wood consumed, 17 cords; taps opened,

interest fund to the general revenue fund.

The matter of extending water main to Yemassee and abolishing free tap near there was referred to Fire and Water Committee, with power to act.

### Width of Streets To Be Maintained.

The matter of the new curbing on West New York avenue, which encroaches on the street several feet, was discussed at length, and it was decided that the curbing should be put back to the proper place and the width of the street maintained. Clerk was instructed to notify property owners to this effect.

Notice was given of an ordinance providing for the laying of cement sidewalks on the north and south sides of New York avenue, from Clara to Adelle.

### Bills Paid.

Bills were audited and warrants drawn in payment thereof as follows:  
G. A. Dreka & Co., \$ 12.89  
Scott Hodgkins, 8.00  
News Pub. Co., 12.00  
Blane Bros., 11.76  
G. L. Hord, 34.08  
Campbell Coal Co., 36.20  
Watts & Miller Co., 5.87  
T. E. Arnold, 23.95  
Veder Mfg. Co., 2.14  
G. W. Fisher Co., 1.90  
J. G. Christopher, 6.25  
J. A. Erickson & Co., 3.20  
E. D. McLeod, .50  
A. Howard, 16.00  
Wm. McClellan, 4.00  
Lillian Hamlin, 11.50  
Electric Light Co., 200.00  
W. U. Telegraph Co., .82  
M. M. Trantham, 4.00  
Sidney Herbert, 4.00  
A. A. Taylor, 2.00